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TAGS: PFOR, MASS, BE, PO, GT, BH
SUBJECT: BELGIAN AND PORTUGUESE AMMUNITION SHIPMENT
TO GUATEMALA DELAYED

FOREIGN MINISTRY'S OFFICER-IN-CHARGE OF ARMS SALES
AND LICENSING (CHAMPENOIS) TOLD US THAT AS A RESULT OF
A STRONG DEMARCHE BY BRITISH AMBASSADOR HERE, PEGGED
TO CURRENT TENSION OVER BELIZE THE BELGIAN GOVERNMENT
HAS AGREED TO HOLD UP AUTHORIZATION FOR THE DELIVERY OF
M-16 AMMUNITION PURCHASED BY THE GUATEMALAN GOVERNMENT.
CHAMPENOIS SAID BELGIANS TOLD BRITISH THEY WOULD HOLD
UP DELIVERY FOR A "SHORT PERIOD OF TIME" (HE LED US TO
BELIEVE IT WOULD BE NO MORE THAN A WEEK OR TWO) BUT
COULD DO NO MORE OUT OF CONCERN THAT AGGRESSIVE ISRAELI
ARMS SALESMEN WOULD MOVE INTO TRADITIONALLY BELGIAN
SALES TERRITORY. CHAMPENOIS SAID BELGIAN DELAY WILL
HOLD UP DELIVERY OF PORTUGUESE AMMO TO GUATEMALA
BECAUSE SAME AIRCRAFT (AMERICAN FLAG CHARTER) WAS TO
HAVE PICKED UP BOTH BELGIAN AND PORTUGUESE AMMUNITION
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SHIPMENTS. HE SAID THAT THE ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF
SHIPMENT DELAY WERE COORDINATED WITH PORTUGUESE
AMBASSADOR HERE. CHAMBERS

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